

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
25 NORTH BROADWAY
PERU, INDIANA 46970
DECEMBER 18, 2006

Chairman Hawley called the weekly meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order.

MEXICO SEWER DISTRICT

The Board received the Citizen Participation Report and the Third Party Authorization for the Mexico Sewer District to apply for a grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boyer to allow Commissioner Hawley to sign the documents. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hawley and passed 2-0.

Commissioner Deeds is absent for this vote.

It is noted that the next public meeting for Mexico is on March 5, 2007.

DEER CREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE APPEAL

Mr. Harrison appealed to the Board on his denial from Mr. Ralph Cory. His appeal is for a denial to assist on his electric bill. His original bill was for \$55.98. After Mr. Harrison has received assistance from other programs the amount left is \$2.98. Area 5 paid \$53.00 of the bill. Mr. Cory explained the guidelines for the township. He stated that his budget is \$550.00 per month for this kind of assistance. He had spent his budget prior to Mr. Harrison's application.

Mr. Harrison said he was denied on phone service. His mother pays for his phone service. Mr. Cory said a track phone would be helpful and more cost affective. Commissioner Deeds said that he feels Mr. Harrison has gone to a lot of work to get assistance and feels it is apparent that the assistance programs are working to bring what he owes down to such a small amount. However, he feels the basic phone landline is ok for a minimal service. Commissioner Boyer asked if Mr. Cory has assisted Mr. Harrison before. Mr. Cory said 4 times this year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boyer to support the trustee's position and deny the appeal. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/PLAN COMMISSION VEHICLE

Darrell Wooten brought bids to the Board for consideration.

He received a bid from Graham Ford of Converse for \$16,162.35 and a bid from Schwartz Dodge for \$17,167. Commissioner Boyer made a motion to accept the bid for the Ford truck for \$16,162.35. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0. A February delivery date is expected.

EMA CLAIM

The Board reviewed a claim for the volunteers Christmas dinner. A motion to pay the bill that set out a tip as inclusive was made by Commissioner Deeds. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

LETTER FROM RESIDENT AT ESTATES AT EAGLES POINTE

The Board received a copy of a letter sent to Carmine Gentile concerning the frustrations

at the Estates at Eagles Pointe from Mr. John Raub.

IDEM NOTICES

The Board received IDEM notices. One for a concentrated Animal Feeding Operation for Rodney Miller, Operator of Southwind Pork,LLc.

A notice for Kyle Musselman for animal waste permit was received.

WAGGONER-IRWIN-SCHEELE

The Board received a report on the job study and position classifications for the County. This report will be reviewed and copies given to the Council. The cost to readjust the pays scale for employees would be \$88,286. As the study is completed, the findings will be sent back to the departments for review.

DOG TAX ORDINANCE

Karen Large asked the Board if they had the dog tax ordinance. She said she saw it was advertised and one of the issues concerns the sending of a notice in the tax bill which is an issue for her. She said she was not going to send them out and please have Mr. Grund get with her.

CLERK OF THE COURTS/DOXPOP

Trudy McCrae said DoxPop is a public site that she gets revenue sharing from each year. This year she received \$147.05. If she ops to allow the Prosecutor, Sheriff, and Public Defender usage the revenue sharing check would not be received. At this time no one knows if any of those other departments are interested in using this system.

Commissioner Deeds asked to have the Clerk speak with those departments to find out if they want to use it before the Board signs any agreement.

ESTATES AT EAGLES POINTE APPEAL

Commissioner Boyer noted that any settlement with the owners of Estates is to be paid out of the Rainy Day fund.

HIDDEN DRIVE WAY REQUESTS

The Board received 2 requests for Hidden Drive Way signs.

One request is for 1287 West and 300 South and the other one is for 62 East and 1500 North. A motion was made by Commissioner Boyer to move to proceed on the Hidden Driveway Signs as recommended by County Engineer Einselen. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

Mr. Einselen brought up a question about a County Ordinance establishing drive ways prior to building on a property. Mr. Einselen thought perhaps a permit could be issued for a driveway or an ag permit. Commissioner Deeds moved to allow Mr. Einselen and Darrell Wooten look at other's County Ordinances and gather information on this matter of concern. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0.

TORT CLAIM RECEIVED

The Board received a Tort claim from the Nunn Law firm for an accident at 218 and

Highway US 31. The claim was given to Mr. Grund to review and forward to our insurance agent.

SIEMANS ENERGY SAVINGS REPORT

The Board received the yearly report from Siemens for the County's energy savings plan.

REPLACEMENT OF ALL INTERIOR LOCKS IN THE COURT HOUSE

The Board received two bids for lock replacement. One quote is from Bob's Lock and Key, Rochester and one quote is from Boyer Lock & Safe, Wabash. A motion was made by Commissioner Deeds to allow Commissioner Hawley to speak with both Companies and to sign the agreement with the one he feels is meeting the County's needs. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Boyer and passed 3-0

ARMOUR/ECKRICH BRANDED MEATS,LLC

Kristy Householder came to the Commissioners and asked the Board to support the transfer of abatements from ConAgra to Armour/Eckrich Branded Meats, LLC. These incentives would continue with just a name change. Commissioner Boyer moved to extend the existing incentives the County now gives ConAgra Foods to Armour Eckrich Branded Meats, LLC. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Deeds and passed 3-0.

AFTERNOON MEETINGS FOR 12-26-06

Commissioner Hawley and the Board went over some Administrative business they wish to discuss next week at 1:30 p.m. They will ask the Animal Control Officer to meet at 1:30 p.m. and the Highway Department to meet with them at 2:00 p.m.

CENTENNIAL CELL PHONES

The Board looked at a proposal from Centennial to combine service to several departments but no decision was made. There is a question of how to pay one bill from several departments.

HIGHWAY ISSUES

There is a failure of a bridge structure. He said \$30,000 would cover the cost. This is one issue the Board will discuss next Tuesday afternoon.

COUNTY ATTORNEY ISSUES

David Grund told the Board he has the Resolution ready for the transfer of incentives from ConAgra to Armour-Eckrich. He will present it for adoption at the Council meeting tomorrow night.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boyer to adjourn. The motion was 2nd by Commissioner Hawley and passed 2-0. Commissioner Deeds had left for another meeting.

Adjourned

THE MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

_____, CHAIRMAN
GARY D. HAWLEY

_____, VICE CHAIRMAN
GREGORY DEEDS

_____, MEMBER
C. CRAIG BOYER

ATTEST: _____, Auditor
Brenda Weaver